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INPUT TO THE THIRD UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES FROM THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

Note by the secretariat

The attached resolution was adopted by the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change at its sixth session, held at the Hague from 13 to 25 November 2000.

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Input to the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

The Conference of the Parties,

Concerned that global warming and the resulting climate change are likely to affect the ability of least developed countries to attain economic growth, poverty reduction and sustainable development,

Recognizing that the least developed countries are among the most vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change and, in particular, that widespread poverty limits their adaptive capacity,

Aware that low-income levels, underdeveloped economic structures and the poor state of their infrastructure have made the least developed countries highly vulnerable to external shocks resulting from natural causes or those arising from fluctuations in the world economy,

Acknowledging that the human, infrastructural and economic conditions of the least developed countries severely limit their capacity to participate effectively in the climate change process,

Cognizant that the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, to be held in Brussels in May 2001, is an important forum at which the special problems of the least developed countries will be brought into prominence in the hope that international cooperation will change in such a way as to adequately address their development needs,

1. *Invites* the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries to address matters relating to the specific needs and concerns and special situations of the least developed countries arising from the adverse effects of climate change;

2. *Encourages* the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, when considering the establishment of debt relief mechanisms, to fully take into account the effects of climate change on productivity in the agricultural and other economic sectors as well as on health;

3. *Calls upon* developed countries participating in the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries to bear in mind the need to incorporate the adverse effects of climate change in their current consideration of a possible reform of international development cooperation.

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25 November 2000